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## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated November 22, 2010 (Part of Paper No./Mail Date 201011), for which a response is due on December 22, 2010. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.